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## DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named Inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which patent is sought on the invention entitled:

THICK PRODUCTS MADE OF HEAT-TREATABLE ALUMINUM ALLOY WITH IMPROVED TOUGHNESS AND PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING THESE PRODUCTS

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| the specification of which  is attached hereto OR was filed on Number and was amended on (if applicable).  The specification of which as United States Application Number or PCT International Application (if applicable).  |   |                          |                           |                       |                             |  |  |
| I hereby state that I have re<br>by any amendment specific   | viewed and under<br>ally referred to ab | estand the contents ove. | of the above identified   | specification, includ | ling the claims, as amended |  |  |
| I acknowledge the duty to o  | disclose informati                      | on which is materia      | al to patentability as de | efined in 37 CFR 1.56 | 5.                          |  |  |
| I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of Apperica, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, of of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.   |   |                          |                           |                       |                             |  |  |
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| Hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of a United States provisional application(s) listed below.  Application Number Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)  60/206,775 05/24/2000  Lhereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 120 of any United States application(s), or 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56 which became available |   |                          |                           |                       |                             |  |  |
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